

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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In re the application of: Steve A. Herweck, et al.

Application number: 09/903,374

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For: *PROSTHESIS AND METHOD OF MAKING A  
PROSTHESIS HAVING AN EXTERNAL  
SUPPORT STRUCTURE*

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Examiner: Fenn C. Mathew

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RESPONSE

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated February 28, 2003 and Advisory Action dated July 14, 2003, Applicants submit the following remarks. Reconsideration and allowance of all pending claims is hereby requested.

A Response to the Office Action was originally due May 28, 2003. A one-month extension was previously requested and charged to our deposit account. A request to

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extend the period of reply an additional month, from June 28, 2003 to July 28, 2003, is  
included herewith.